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Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 09/869,565; Filed: October 17, 2001
For: **PTH Receptor and Screening Assay Utilizing the Same**
Inventors: GARDELLA *et al.*
Our Ref: 0609.4730000/SRL/PAC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
2. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the one month extension of time fee;
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
4. Appendix to the Amendment including a substitute specification and a marked-up version of the specification;
5. Exhibit 1- Date stamped postcard of May 9, 2003, reflecting that copies of references AS (Barbier *et al.*) and AT (Chorev *et al.*) were provided on that day;
6. Exhibit 2- copy of reference AS from the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 9, 2003;
7. Exhibit 3- copy of reference AT from the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 9, 2003; and
8. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are

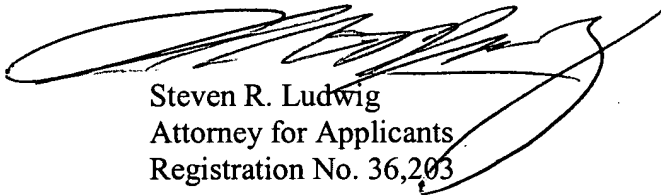
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necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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